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Docket No.: 050006-0187

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Hisao TAKEUCHI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 1251
Application No.: 10/775,120	:	Group Art Unit: 3682
Filed: February 11, 2004	:	Examiner: Lenard A. Footland

For: DYNAMIC PRESSURE BEARING WITH IMPROVED STARTING CHARACTERISTICS  
(AS AMENDED)

**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES WITH TRAVERSE**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 21, 2005, Applicant hereby elects the species of Figs. 1(c) and 3 for prosecution in the above-identified application. All currently pending claims 27 through 33 are readable on this species.

The requirement for election of species as set forth in the Office Action is traversed for the following reasons. The statement in the Office Action that the application contains claims directed to Figs. 4, 5, 6 and 7 is incorrect. Figs. 4 and 5 correspond to the second embodiment described in the specification. Figs. 6 and 7 correspond to the third embodiment described in the specification. None of the pending claims is directed to the second or third embodiments. All of the claims are directed to the first embodiment described in the specification and illustrated in Figs. 1(c) and 3. Examination of all pending claims is thus appropriate and respectfully solicited.

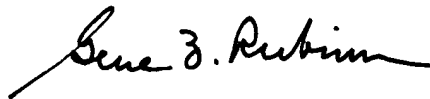
To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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